

THE
ASSOCIATION, &c.

OF THE
Delegates of the Colonies,

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AT THE
GRAND CONGRESS,

Held at PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 1, 1774,

VERSIFIED, and adapted to Music,

CALCULATED

FOR GRAVE and GAY DISPOSITIONS ;

WITH A SHORT

INTRODUCTION.

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" I sing the Men, read it who list,

" Bold Trojans true, as ever p-st.

Cotton's Virg. Trav.

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INTRODUCTION.

DE Gustibus est non disputandum.—*There's no disputing of tastes. Formerly all judicial and state proceedings were ushered forth to the public, in a gallimaufry garb, composed of patch'd and pie-ball'd languages, taken from the Latins, French, English, High Dutch, Low Dutch, and what not; such was the taste; then plain English became the reigning taste, and Statesmen, Judges, Lawyers and Politicians conformed accordingly, and plain English prose prevailed universally among Englishmen: of late, Versification is come in vogue, and now Proclamations, Speeches, Messages, Orations, &c. seem not to be relished in plain prose, but, to please the public Taste, they must be versified. To gratify the reigning humour, and being blest with no inconsiderable talent for versification. I have, very cleverly, versified a very curious thing, called, The Association, &c. lately exhibited in all the News-papers. The merit of my performance is too conspicuous to need any great matter of recommendatory encomium, with people of Taste. I will only with superlative modesty, just hint, that the Versification is as good as any of the kind, in town or country; and this is no more than every Manufacturer may, and commonly does proclaim and publish, concerning the works of his own hands---*I know it to be good,

for I made it myself, is generally received as good argument, and no breach of modesty. I have contrived it so, as, to be either sung or said; and to be sung by the Grave, or the Gay, in tunes suited to their different Tastes. And lastly, where the sense in the original is a little obfuscated, I have elucidated it by a sort of a kind of paraphratical Commentary, in which I have brought into clear light, the plain, genuine, undisguised, scope, end, and meaning of the authors: If this should be disputed, as all writers of merit, and especially Poets must expect the attacks of critics, it will appear with uncontrovertible demonstration, from a few marginal explanatory notes, which I have by me, ready cut and dried, for the second edition. I have no more to say, but only to wish, that its birth into the world may give just as much pleasure and as little pain to the reader, as its conception has given to

The Author.

THE
ASSOCIATION, &c.

MEAR TUNE, *or* CHEVY-CHACE, *or* WHAT
YOU PLEASE.

WE, *Loyal* subjects of the King,
The Delegates we say,
Of colonies of *New-Hampshire*,
And *Massachusetts-Bay* ;

Rhode-Island and *Connecticut*,
New-York and *Jersey-New*,
With the most noble Colony
Of *Pennsylvania* too :

The three *infernal* Counties eke
Newcastle, *Kent*, *Suffex*
On *Delaware* ; then *Maryland*,
And then *Virginia* next :

Then

Then *Carolinas, North and South,*
 (The cunningest we trow ;
 For they will not give up their *Rice,*
 Nor, yet their *Indigo.*)

Deputed Representatives,
 As we ourselves profess,
 To represent them in one Grand
 Continental Congress,

Held in the lovely City *Phi-*
ladelphia, pray remember,
 Like Brethren in unity,
 This fifth Day of September,

Annoque Dom'ni, seventeen
 Hundred, and eke, three score
 And ten, to which pray don't forget
 To add, the Number four.

And first and foremost we do vow,
 (As it is *politic,*)
 Allegiance to his Majesty,
 Whom we intend to *trick.*

Affection for *Old England* Folk,
 Whom we do Brethren call,
 We do *profess,* but here's the joke,
 For, Faith, we'll starve 'em all.

With anxious Cares, and Griefs oppress'd,
 Our inmost Bowels wamble,
 And truly, we are so distress'd,
 Our very Guts they grumble ;

Thence

Thence mounting to our Pericrans,
 With serious Cogitation
 We've cast about for Ways and Means,
 To save the sinking Nation.

The *British* Ministry, whom we
 With cordially to the Devil,
Contrived, Anno *sixty-three*,
 This cursed Plan of Evil :

In *Prosecution* of which Plot,
 For *fifty* Years and more,
 They have been forging Acts, G-d-wot,
 To filch us of our Lore :

But that's not all, for they've gone on,
 Still driving like a Fury,
 And pass'd some Acts, to rob us of
 A Trial by a Jury.

But then the *Rebel* Law's the worst,
 For carrying us o'er sea,
 In Peril of our being drown'd,
 Before we 'hanged be.

Next, *Boston-Port* and *Quebec* Bills,
 Statutes in Troth, most damnable,
 For which we'd fight them, marry-come-up,
 Tho' each Man were an *Hannibal*.

Shall free-born English, lose their *Right*,
 To rob and plunder others ?
 And base-born *Frenchmen* worship G-d,
 As if we all were *Brothers* ?

Shall

Shall *George* the third presume to give
 To Provinces their Bounds?
 And to our very Noses bring
 The Whore of *Bab'lon*? Z---ds!

If *Gallic* Papists have a Right,
 To worship their own way,
 Then farewell to the Liberties
 Of poor *America*.

That these are mighty Grievances;
 Must be by all confest;
 Therefore we will exert our might;
 To get them straight redress'd.

The Method we have hit upon,
 To bring this Scheme to bear,
 Is *Import--Export--Consump-non*,
 And this will do't, we swear,

This pretty Trick came int' our Pates,
 As we before told you,
 First, by *peccavi*, as was meet,
 Then, *Bumpers*, *thirty-two*.

Now, in due Order, take the Heads
 Of what we have agreed to,
 Both for ourselves, and each of you,
 Which you must all take heed to.

For we have bound and ty'd you all,
 As we were with a Rope,
 Which never can be broken by
 The Devil or the Pope.

Then

Then take and swallow them, and pray,
 About it make no Fuss,
 'Tis Virtue, Honor, Country's Love
 Commands:—They follow thus,

RECITATIVO.

First, that from and after December the first,
 May *we*, meaning *you* all, forever be curst,
 If we into *America-British*, import
 Any Goods, Wares, or Merchandize, of any Sort,
 From *England's* Kennels, or Boroughs, or Dens;
 From *Scotland's* high Hills, or from *Ireland's* Fens;
 Or East-India Tea, from *Guinea* or *Rome*,
 Or Parts known or unknown, Abroad or at Home;
 Molasses or Coffee, Paneles or Piemento,
 From *Friends* or from *Neuters*,--you stare, but we
 meant so;
 For we'll starve, nay we'll die, nay we'll go with-
 out Rum,
 Unless our *French Foes* will let us have some:
 Or Wines from *Madeira*, or Isles in the West,
 Tho' our Chops may distil for a Cup of the Best;
 Or *Indigo foreign*,; but to *Carolina*,
 If *England* will let us, we'll send all our Rino,
 Then, *secondly*, we do protest, vow and swear,
 That we from the Slave-Trade, will wholly forbear;
 Tobacco and Indigo, Rice, we may have,
 Without the Assistance of one Negro-Slave;
 The *Britons* will gladly come over and work,
 Tho' we use them as hard as a Jew or a Turk;
 But if not, never fear, we can do well enough,
 Our *poor Folks* can labour, when stript to the Buff;
 B. And

And sure in the Cause of *American Freedom*,
 They will not refuse to be *Slaves*, if *we* need 'em ;
 But, if a Reflection so noble and fine fails,
 They'll soon be brought to't, by a good Cat-o'nine
 Tails :

But yet, after all, if a Scheme that's so clever,
 Should fail, it will *frighten Great-Britain*, however.
 To conclude upon this Head, we've only to say,
 We'll not eat, drink, or smoke, with a Man that
 says nay.

Third, as *Non-Consumption* does fairly imply,
 A Non-Exportation, as clear as the Sky ;
 Therefore *we*, that is *you*, Sirs, will go without
 Cloaths,
 And Victuals and Drink, tho' we're starv'd, choak'd
 or froze ;
 And when we're *all* dead, 'tis a Pound to a Penny,
 Of hardy Importers there'll not be found *many*.

But, fourth, as we wish not to hurt, by our Soul,
 Either *Englishman*, *Scot*, *Irishman* or *Creole*,
 A free Exportation we will keep alive,
 Till the tenth Day of September, Seventy-five ;
 But then if the Parliament does not relent,
 We'll starve them, by Jove, till we make them repent ;
 Of all our good cheer, they shall not have a Slice,
 Excepting the Article only of *Rice*,
 And to this let us tell ye, we give the Priority,
Sub Rosa, for nought, but, to gain a *Majority*.

Fifth, every Merchant shall write his Epistle,
 To his Correspondent, to ship not a Whistle ;

And

And if, after that, they presume to offend,
With such all Connexion commercial shall end.

Sixth, Owners of Vessels shall strictly enjoin
Their Captains, lest they contravene our Design,
Not to take any Goods; but in Ballast, on Pain
Of immediate Dismission, to traverse the Main.

The *Sheepish* Breed, seventhly, calls for our Care,
To kill them as much as we can, we will spare;
And eke will assist them in their *Procreation*,
As they are quite useful in their Generation:
West-Indians shan't have 'em, but when overstock'd
Our Neighbours *shall* buy the Surplus of our Flock.

And eighthly, when we are quite rid of our Trade,
And, stript of our Money, mere Shepherds are made,
We'll see no *Horse-racings*, nor e'en a *Cock-fight*,
Our only Diversion to eat, sleep, and sh-te,
And when a Son dies, we will take no more Notice,
Than, as if one should say, I know nor care who 'tis,
With a Piece of black Crape, we will sit down content;

When all our old Cloaths are quite tatter'd and rent;
The giving of Gloves and of Scarfs we'll decry,
When we've got none to give, faith, let who will die.

Ninth, no Vender of Goods, when his Goods are
all gone,
Of the Scarcity which will most surely, anon
Besfall us, occasion'd by this Association,
Shall take the Advantage, on Pain of Castration.
When they've no Goods to sell, they shall sell without
Pother,
At one equal Price to Stranger and Brother, ✕

Or else, be it known, we'll agree one and all,
To buy none of their Goods, sing tol-de rol-lol.

Tenth, if after the Day in December prefix'd,
And before the first Day of February next,
Any Merchant, or Tinker, or Cobblers so bold,
As Goods to bring, from *any Part of the World*,
They must and they shall be *exported* anew,
Or *sold* Auction-wise, for the Good of the Loo;
Or else shall be lodg'd with the honest Committee,
As the Owner shall choose, for County or City;
And if Goods are *imported*, mind, after that Day,
They shall straight be *exported*, sans any Delay;
And without being open'd, thus endeth this Riddle,
And *Imports—and Exports-non's* not worth a Fiddle.

Eleventhly, That a Committee be chose,
In each Town and City and County, by those,
Who to vote for their Reps have due Qualification,
Whose Business shall be to guard this Association;
And if, in their Precincts, are caught Violators,
Of this our Agreement, such Country-haters,
Shall at his Hogan Mogan Tribunal be set,
And their Names shall be put in the *Boston Gazette*;
And thenceforth with him or with *her*, by St. Bennet,
We will have no *Dealing*, no, not for a *Minute*.

Twelfth, let the Committees t' each Custom-House
creep in,
And, if they can read, let them every Book peep in,
And whatever they pilfer, from one or from th'other,
Let each whisper the same, in the Ear of his Brother.
But especially, let it be in his Narration,
If there he finds aught about this Association.

Thirteenthly,

Thirteenthly, that all Manufactures be sold,
At *reasonable Prices*, or else Folks will scold.

Fourteenthly and lastly, to sum up the Whole,
For on this Resolve we pawn Body and Soul,
Let *Britons* then tremble, while thus we declare,
Aye, and vow and protest and most solemnly swear,
That with Province, henceforth, we'll not trade,
buy or sell,
Save only with such, as with us will *rebel*.

C H O R U S.

And now we do, in solemn Dumps,
Bind us and you from Heads to Rumps
In Cords like Hempen, tight and strong
To stand by stiffly, right or wrong,
Th' aforesaid mulish Association,
Till we have brought the *British* Nation,
To us, their Betters far, to buckle,
And on their Marrow-bones to truckle.
We'll starve ourselves and them, by Jove,
So mighty is our Country's Love,
Until we make the Parliament,
Those haughty Lordlings, to repent,
Repeal, and *re-repeal* those Acts,
Which they have pass'd like saucy Jacks,
Since last War's close, in which, tho' true,
They spent much Blood and Treasure too,
In driving out our heathen Foes,
From this good Land our Fathers chose,

And

And never left us, 'till their Arms,
 From Fears, and Dangers, and from Harms,
 Had set us free, for which we sang,
 And, full oft, did *te Deum* twang:
 But what of this, 'tis all mere footy,
 'Twas no more than their bounden Duty;
 For Nature's Law is clear and plain,
 That PARENTS *should* their BRATS maintain.
 So, Britons, know, we fear you not,
 Nor will we pay you a grey Groat;
 This we resolve, and you had best
 Not push us to a further Test;
 For if you should, you'll find a Breed,
 Stubborn as antient *Abr'am's* Seed;
 In stiff Perverseness, we give Place
 Not even to the chosen Race;
 To drive, or draw, where you incline,
 We'll go the op'site Way, like Swine;
 We've no more Need of your Assistance,
 So we advise you, keep your Distance;
 For now, of Ruin you're the Brink on
 Sure as the De'il looks over *Lincoln*;
 And if you still despise our Speeches,
 Eftsoons we'll make you sh-t your Breeches.
 The Parliament shall straight repeal,
 All Tax-Acts on our Common-Weal;
 All Acts imposing Dues or Custom,
 For which we've bully'd, cheated, curst 'em;
 The Act on Tea, by which our *Ribs*,
 And Daughters have told many Fibs;
 The Tax on *Wine*, which warms and mellows,
 And makes us now such Bravo-Fellows;
 That, on Molasses we bring home,
 For this affects our favorite *Rum*;

Rum

Rum naked, or well mix'd with Beer-o,
 Makes every Paltroon fall a Heroe ;
 Then Coffee, Sugar and Piemont,
 With *this*, we'll never be content ;
 The Tax on Indigo's not good,
 For the *Carolina* Brotherhood ;
 The Act imposing Dues on Paper,
 Glafs, Painters Colours, made us caper ;
 So this, altho' repeal'd we know,
 Shall be repeal'd *again*, we vow.
 Then next, the Admiralty Powers,
 May fuit *your* Clime, but fuit not *ours* ;
 They clog and incommode too much
 Our Trade, with our good Friends the *Dutch* ;
 So *this* to Pot shall go, by th' Lard,
 With *that* about the King's Dock-yard ;
 By which his Ships, or Stores, or both,
 Cannot be stole or burnt, forsooth,
 By our brave Sons of Freedom high-born,
 But they must take a Swing at Tyburn.
 Next, *that*, for stopping *Boston* Port
 Shall be repeal'd, e'er we'll stop short ;
 A mighty pretty Story, truly,
 These Plunderers should come off so bluely ;
 They stroy'd the Tea, yet plain the Case is,
 As Sun at Noon, or Nose on Face is,
 Th' East-India-Company were, alone,
 The faulty Cause of 'ts being done ;
 For had they kept their Tea at home,
 Destruction on it ne'er had come ;
 So, about Pay, make no Pother,
 For we won't pay, nor *Boston* neither.
 Then *that*, for *Massachusetts-Bay*,
 Murdering their Charter, as we may say ;

This

This Act must go, 'tis all meer stuff,
They like their Charter, that's enough;
 Nor need they Aid of *British* Noddle,
 When they think proper, to new-model
 Their present Form; they'll do't alone,
 They're Statesmen, every Mother's Son,
 So *that*, for th' better Administration
 Of Justice, must have Amputation.
 The Massachusetts want no more
 Of Justice, than they had before.
 Then last, and worst of all the Pack,
 Is that vile Act about Quebec;
 An Act to make *French Bougers* free;
 To give them all that Liberty,
 Civil and sacred which *we* hold;
 Was ever Parliament so bold?
 And then their Limits to adjust,
 Without consulting with *us* first!
 Sure some strange Frenzy seiz'd amain,
 On King, Lords, Commons, by the Brain;
 Or they could never, poz, have writ,
 An Act that shows so little Wit.
 These Acts, which down our Throats they've cram'd,
 We do insist, shall all be damn'd.
 And if there be the least Occasion,
 For any further Regulation,
 To *Cons* and *Coms* we recommend,
 With Might and Main to heave on End.

This Association being agreed
 Upon, by th' major Part, indeed,
 And crafty *Reynard* having got,
 At first set-out, a previous Note,

That

That what should be agreed upon,
 By th' major Part, tho' not *Nem. Con.*
 Should, if it did but barely pass,
 Be sign'd by each and every *Ass*;
 And we, being order'd to *sub-pone*
 Our Names to this, do *thereupon*,
 With equal Grief and Shame, the *Pen*
 Take up, and write our Names. *Amen.*

*In Order to a more easy Comparison, and to
 please all Tastes; here follows the Association,
 &c. in the original Prose.*

WE, his Majesty's most loyal subjects, the Delegates of the
 several Colonies of New-Hampshire, Massachusetts Bay,
 Rhode-Island, Connecticut, New-York, New-Jersey, Pennsylv-
 vania, the Three Lower Counties of Newcastle, Kent and
 Suffex on Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, North-Carolina, and
 South-Carolina, deputed to represent them in a Continental
 Congress, held in the city of Philadelphia, on the 5th day of
 September, 1774, avowing our allegiance to his Majesty, our
 affection and regard for our fellow-subjects in Great-Britain and
 elsewhere, affected with the deepest anxiety, and most alarming
 apprehensions at those grievances and distresses, with which his
 Majesty's American subjects are oppressed, and having taken
 under our most serious deliberation, the state of the whole con-
 tinent, find, that the present unhappy situation of our affairs, is
 occasioned by a ruinous system of colony administration, adopted
 by the British Ministry about the year 1763, evidently calculat-
 ed for enslaving these Colonies, and, with them the British
 Empire. In prosecution of which system, various acts of Par-
 liament have been passed for raising a revenue in America, for
 depriving the American subject, in many instances, of the con-
 stitutional trial by jury, exposing their lives to danger, by di-
 recting a new and illegal trial beyond the seas, for crimes alledg-
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ed to have been committed in America: And in prosecution of the same system, several late cruel and oppressive acts have been passed respecting the town of Boston and the Massachusetts Bay, and also an act for extending the province of Quebec, so as to border on the Western frontiers of these colonies, establishing an arbitrary government therein, and discouraging the settlement of British subjects in that wide extended country; thus by the influence of civil principles and ancient prejudices to dispose the inhabitants to act with hostility against the free protestant colonies, whenever a wicked ministry shall choose so to direct them.

To obtain redress of these grievances, which threaten destruction to the lives, liberty, and property of his Majesty's subjects in North America, we are of opinion, that a Non-importation, Non-consumption, and Non-exportation Agreements, faithfully adhered to, will prove the most speedy, effectual, peaceable measure: And therefore we do, for ourselves and the inhabitants of the several colonies, whom we represent, firmly agree and associate under the sacred ties of virtue, honour, and love of our country, as follow:

First, That from and after the first day of December next, we will not import into British America, from Great-Britain or Ireland, any goods, wares, or merchandize whatsoever, or from any other place, any such goods, wares, or merchandize, as shall have been exported from Great-Britain or Ireland; nor will we, after that day, import any East-India Tea from any part of the world; nor any molasses, syrups, paneles, coffee or pimento, from the British plantations, or from Dominica; nor wines from Madeira, or the Western Islands; nor foreign indigo.

Second, That we will neither import, nor purchase any slave imported, after the first day of December next; after which time, we will wholly discontinue the slave-trade, and will neither be concerned in it ourselves, nor will we hire our vessels, nor sell our commodities or manufactures to those who are concerned in it.

Third, As a non-consumption agreement, strictly adhered to, will be an effectual security for the observation of the non-importation, we, as above, solemnly agree and associate, that, from this day, we will not purchase or use any Tea imported on account of the East-India company, or any on which a duty hath

hath or shall be paid ; and from and after the first day of March next, we will not purchase or use any East-India Tea whatever ; nor will we, nor any person for or under us, purchase or use any of those goods, wares or merchandize, we have agreed not to import, which we shall know, or have cause to suspect, were imported after the first day of December, except such as come under the rules and directions of the tenth article hereafter mentioned.

Fourth, The earnest desire we have, not to injure our fellow-subjects in Great-Britain, Ireland, or the West-Indies, induces us to suspend a non-exportation, until the tenth day of September, 1775 ; at which time, if the said acts, and parts of acts of the British Parliament herein after-mentioned are not repealed, we will not directly or indirectly export any merchandize or commodity whatsoever to Great-Britain, Ireland, or the West-Indies, except RICE to Europe.

Fifth, Such as are merchants, and use the British and Irish trade, will give orders, as soon as possible, to their factors, agents and correspondents, in Great Britain and Ireland, not to ship any goods to them, on any pretence whatsoever, as they cannot be received in America ; and if any merchant, residing in Great-Britain or Ireland, shall directly or indirectly ship any goods, wares or merchandizes for America, in order to break the said non-importation agreement, or in any manner contravene the same, on such unworthy conduct being well attested, it ought to be made public ; and, on the same being so done, we will not from thenceforth have any commercial connexion, with such merchant.

Sixth, That such as are owners of vessels will give positive orders to their captains or masters, not to receive on board their vessels any goods prohibited by the said non-importation agreement, on pain of immediate dismissal from their service.

Seventh, We will use our utmost endeavours to improve the breed of sheep, and encrease their numbers to the greatest extent, and to that end we will kill them as sparingly as may be, especially those of the most profitable kind ; nor will we export any to the West-Indies or elsewhere ; and those of us who are or may become overstocked with, or can conveniently spare any sheep, will dispose of them to our neighbours, especially to the poorer sort, on moderate terms.

Eighth, That we will in our several stations encourage frugality, œconomy, and industry ; and promote agriculture, arts, and the manufactures of this country, especially that of wool, and will discountenance and discourage every species of extravagance and dissipation, especially all horse-racing, and all kinds of gaming, cock-fighting, exhibitions of shews, plays, and other expensive diversions and entertainments. And on the death of any relation or friend, none of us, or any of our families will go into any further mourning dress than a black crape or ribbon on the arm or hat for gentlemen, and a black ribbon or necklace for ladies, and we will discontinue the giving of gloves and scarves at funerals.

Ninth, That such as are venders of goods or merchandize, will not take advantage of the scarcity of goods, that may be occasioned by their association, but will sell the same at the rates we had been respectively accustomed to do, for twelve months last past. And if any vender of goods or merchandize shall sell any such goods on higher terms, or shall in any manner, or by any device whatsoever depart from this agreement, no person ought, nor will any of us deal with any such person or his, or her factor or agent, at any time hereafter, for any commodity whatever.

Tenth, In case any merchant, trader or other person shall import any goods or merchandize after the first day of December next, and before the first day of February next, the same ought forthwith at the direction of the owner, to be either re-shipped, or delivered up to the committee of the county or town wherein they shall be imported, to be stored at the risque of the importer, until the non-importation agreement shall cease, or be sold under the direction of the committee aforesaid ; and in the last-mentioned case, the owner or owners of such goods, shall be reimbursed (out of the sales) the first cost and charges, the profit, if any, to be applied towards relieving and employing such poor inhabitants of the town of Boston, as are immediate sufferers by the Boston port-bill, and a particular account of all goods so returned, stored, or sold, to be inserted in the public papers ; and if any goods or merchandizes shall be imported after the said first day of February, the same ought forthwith to be sent back again, without breaking any of the packages thereof.

Eleventh, That a committee be chosen in every county, city and town, by those who are qualified to vote for representatives

in the legislature, whose business it shall be attentively to observe the conduct of all persons touching this association; and when it shall be made appear to the satisfaction of a majority of any such committee, that any person within the limits of their appointment has violated this association, that such majority do forthwith cause the truth of the case to be published in the Gazette, to the end, that all such foes to the rights of British America may be publicly known, and universally contemned as the enemies of American liberty, and thenceforth we respectively will break off all dealings with him or her.

Twelfth, That the committee of correspondence in the respective colonies do frequently inspect the entries of their custom-houses, and inform each other from time to time of the true state thereof, and of every other material circumstance that may occur relative to this association.

Thirteenth, That all manufactures of this country be sold at reasonable prices, so that no undue advantage be taken of a future scarcity of goods.

Fourteenth, And we do further agree and resolve, that we will have no trade, commerce, dealings or intercourse whatsoever, with any colony or province, in North-America, which shall not accede to, or which shall hereafter violate this association, but will hold them as unworthy of the rights of freemen, and as inimicable to the liberties of their country.

And we do solemnly bind ourselves and our constituents, under the ties aforesaid, to adhere to this association until such parts of the several acts of parliament passed since the close of the last war, as impose or continue duties on tea, wine, molasses, syrups, paneles, coffee, sugar, pimento, indigo, foreign paper, glass, and painters colours, imported into America, and extend the powers of the Admiralty courts beyond their ancient limits, deprive the American subject of trial by jury, authorize the judge's certificate to indemnify the prosecutor from damages, that he might otherwise be liable to from a trial by his peers, require oppressive security from a claimant of ships or goods seized, before he shall be allowed to defend his property, are repealed—And until that part of the act of the 12 G. 3, ch. 24. entitled, “An act for the better securing his Majesty's dock-yards, magazines, ships, ammunition and stores,” by which, any persons charged with committing any of the offences

fences therein described, in America, may be tried in any shire or county within the realm, is repealed.—And until the four acts passed in the last session of parliament, viz. that for stopping the port, and blocking up the harbour of Boston.—That for altering the charter and government of the Massachusetts Bay.—And that which is entitled, An act for the better administration of justice, &c.—And that, “ for extending the limits of Quebec, &c. are repealed. And we recommend it to the provincial conventions, and to the committees in the respective colonies, to establish such further regulations as they may think proper, for carrying into execution this association.

The foregoing Association being determined upon by the CONGRESS, was ordered to be subscribed by the several members thereof; and thereupon we have hereunto set our respective Names accordingly.



In Congress, Philadelphia, Oct. 20, 1774

Signed Peyton Randolph, President

New-Hampshire, John Sullivan, Nathaniel Folsom.

Massachusetts Bay, Tho. Cushing, Sam. Adams, John Adams, R. Treat Paine.

Rhode-Island, Stephen Hopkins, Samuel Ward.

Connecticut, Eliphalet Dyer, Roger Sherman, Silas Deane,

New-York, Isaac Low, John Alsop, John Jay, James Duane, William Floyd, Henry Wisner, S. Boerum.

New-Jersey, James Kinsey, William Livingston, Stephen Crane, Rd. Smith.

Pennsylvania, Jos. Galloway, John Dickenson, Charles Humphreys, Thomas Miffling, Edw. Biddle, John Morton, George Ross.

New-Castle, &c. Caesar Rodney, Thomas M'Kean, George Read.

Maryland, Matt. Tilghman, Thomas Johnson, William Paca, Samuel Chase.

Virginia, R. Henry Lee, George Washington, P. Henry, jun. Richard Bland, Benjamin Harrison, Edmund Pendleton,

North-Carolina, Wm. Hooper, Joseph Hewes, R. Caswell.

South-Carolina, Henry Middleton, Thomas Lynch, Christopher Gadsden, John Rutledge, Edward Rutledge.

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